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**In re Application of
Eric Pierre de Rouffignac, et al.
Application No. 09/841,299
Filed: April 24, 2001
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee, filed August 16, 2004.

It does not appear that the instant petition is signed by an attorney of record. However, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature of David W. Quimby appearing on the correspondence shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he acts. However, if Mr. Quimby desires to receive correspondence regarding this file, the appropriate power of attorney documentation must be submitted. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to Mr. Quimby, the petitioner herein. However, until otherwise instructed, all future correspondence regarding this application file will be directed solely to the correspondence address of record.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

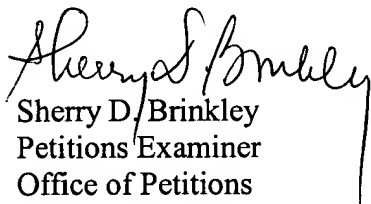
The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid January 23, 2004, in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.¹

¹The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form **must** be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).

Telephone inquiries relating to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-9220.

After the application is received in the Office of Petitions, the file will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 3672 for further processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed August 16, 2004.



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